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June 29, 2016

Via Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: WC Docket No. 14-58

2016 ETC Annual Report of Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home

Telecom

Study Area Code 240527

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom ("Home"), JSI files the attached confidential version of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules. Company seeks confidential treatment under Protective Order for section 54.313(f)(2) financial information. The redacted version is being filed this date via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System. In addition, attached is a letter requesting confidential treatment under Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Company's Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report required by Section 54.313.

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President

301-459-7590

jkuykendall@jsitel.com

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

² Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 14-58, Protective Order, DA 16-296 rel. March 22, 2016 (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).

³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459, 54.313.



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Telecom

Study Area Code 240527 Request for Confidentiality

Dear Ms. Dortch:

John Staurulakis, Inc. ("JSI"), on behalf of its client Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom (the "Company") hereby requests, pursuant to Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules,¹ withholding from public inspection certain information contained in an attachment to the above referenced reporting requirement. The Company provides the following in support of its request, numbered consistent with the subparagraphs of Section 0.459(b).²

- 1. The information for which the Company is seeking confidential treatment is an attachment to the Company's annual reporting information pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules ("Report").³
- 2. Pursuant to Section 54.313, Rate-of-Return Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") must file with the Commission a Progress Report on its Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan ("Progress Report") which is contained in the attachment to the 2016 Report.⁴
- 3. The information contained in attachment for which the Company seeks the withholding from public inspection is the entirety of data pertaining to the Company's Progress Report provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459.

² 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(b)(1) through (9).

³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

^{4 47} C.F.R. §§ 54.313.

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Information of this nature is confidential commercial information routinely withheld from public inspection.

4. With respect to identifying the degree to which the subject attachment concerns a service that is subject to competition, the information is of a financial and competitive nature regarding the provision of telecommunications services. The Line 112 attachment contains competitively sensitive information related to proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance the Company's network.

In its March 5, 2013 Order, the FCC. The FCC specified that for rate-of-return carriers, the five-year plans "should describe the carrier's network improvement plan, which should provide greater visibility into current plans to extend broadband service to unserved locations in rate-of-return service territories." The Company's Progress Report updates this information as well as provides maps and detailed information as to whether or not network improvement objectives were achieved at the wire center level. Accordingly, because the Company is a rate-of-return carrier, it must file Progress Reports which contain proprietary, competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network including the specific locations of customers as well as describe proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance of its network throughout its service area. Specifically, this information sets forth services provided by the Company over its existing network including specific locations of customers as well as planned network improvement and maintenance for the years 2015 through 2019 including project start and completion dates, population that will be impacted by the improvements and upgrades at the wire center level and projected capital costs associated with the improvements and upgrades and operating costs associated with maintaining the network including depreciation for investments that have already been made. As such, this information contains competitively sensitive information related to the Company's existing network as well as detailed plans at the wire center level for network upgrades and maintenance projected for the years 2015 through 2019.

5. With respect to identifying possible exposure to competitive harm, the information contained in the Line 112 attachment is information that is not customarily released to the public. This information is proprietary to the Company, is unique to the Company's serving territory and is only known to the Company and its authorized agents. If the Information is not protected, it would have economic value to potential competitors who would be able to target their marketing to specific customers. In a competitive telecommunications marketplace, this type of information is highly sensitive. If publicly disclosed, it would enable competitors to craft business plans that capitalize on their knowledge of the locations of the Company's customers which would place the Company at a competitive disadvantage.

⁵ See Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket 10-90 et al., Order, DA 13-332 (rel. Mar. 5, 2013) ("March 5, 2013 Order") at para 9 citing Section 54.202(a) (1) (ii).

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- 6. With respect to steps the Company has taken to ensure against unauthorized disclosure of the information contained in the attachment, the Company is filing the attachment under seal. The Company uses the information contained in the Progress Report to ensure that its customers continue to receive state-of-the-art high quality telecommunications and broadband services that the Company has been providing to them for many years as well as to satisfy mandatory reporting requirements and does not share the information for which protection is sought. The Company protects the secrecy of this information with a security protocol that ensures the information is not inadvertently disclosed or disseminated. Only directors, managers and employees with a direct need to know are authorized to access the information.
- 7. Any previous versions of this information are not publicly available.
- 8. Because the information is not routinely available, a need exists for maintaining the confidentiality of this information permanently.
- 9. Not applicable.

Based on the preceding, JSI respectfully requests on behalf of the Company that the Commission grant confidential treatment under Section 0.459 to Company's Progress Report provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President

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FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION ONB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 Data Collection Form

| <010> | Study Area Code | 240527 |
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| <015> | Study Area Name | HOME TEL CO |
| <020> | Program Year | 2017 |
| <030> | Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data | Denny Thompson |
| <035> | Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030> | 8437619173 ext. |
| <039> | Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030> | denny.thompson@hometelco.com |
| | Form Type | 54.313 and 54.422 |

| - | ervice Quality Improvement Reporting Ollection Form | | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| <039> | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> | denny.thompson | son@hometelco.com |
| <110> | Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC? If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 | (yes / | s/no) |
| <111> | year plan" filed with the FCC? | (yes / | $_{\rm S/no)}$ \bigcirc \bigcirc |
| <112> | If your answer to Line <111> is yes, please file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service. Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service. | | 240527sc112.pdf |
| | Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to conf that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its fiv service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate. | e-year | Name of Attached Document |
| <113> | Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets | | Yes |
| <114> | Report how much universal service (USF) support was received | | Yes |
| <115> | How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to impr | ove service quality | y Yes Yes |
| <116> | How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to im | | |
| <117> <118> | How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to imp Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year. | prove service capacity | Yes Not Applicable |

| (200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice) | FCC Form 481 |
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| <010> | Study Area Code 2 | | | | | 240527 | | | | | | |
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| <015> | Study Area Na | ame | | | | HOME TEL CO | | | | | | |
| <020> | Program Year | | | | | 2017 | | | | | | |
| <030> | 030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data | | | | Denny Thomp | son | | | | | | |
| <035> | 035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> | | | | 8437619173 | ext. | | | | | | |
| <039> | Contact Email | l Address - Ema | il Address of pe | erson identified | l in data line <030 | > denny.thomp | son@hometelco.com | | | | | |
| <210> | <210> For the prior calendar year, were there any reportable voice service out | | | | outages? | No | | | | | | |
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| NORS | | | | | | | | | Did This Outage | | |
| Reference | | Outage Start | | Outage End | Number of | | 911 Facilities | Service Outage | Affect Multiple | | |
| Number | Date | Time | Date | Time | Customers Affected | Total Number of | Affected | Description (Check | | Service Outage | Preventative |
| | | | | | | Customers | (Yes / No) | all that apply) | (Yes / No) | Resolution | Procedures |
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| (300) Unful Data Collec | Ifilled Service Request ction Form | | | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control July 2013 | ol No. 3060-0819 | |
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| <020> | Program Year | | 2017 | | | |
| <030> | Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this | data | Denny Thompson | | | |
| <035> | Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified | in data line <030> | 8437619173 ext. | | | |
| <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> denny.thompson@hometelco.com | | | | | | |
| <300> Unf | ulfilled service request (voice) | | 0 | | | |
| <310> Det | tail on attempts (voice) | | | | | |
| | | Nam | e of Attached Document | | | |
| <320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband) | | 0 | | | | |
| <330> Detail on attempts (broadband) | | | | | | _ |
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| (400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers | FCC Form 481 |
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| <039> | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line denny.thompson@hometelco.com <030> | |
| <400> | Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. | _ |
| <410> | Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice 0.1313 | |
| <420> | Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice | |
| <430> | Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. | |
| <440> | Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband 0.0989 | |
| <450> | Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband | |

| | npliance With Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules lection Form | | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| <500> | Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer pr | otection rules Yes | |
| <510> | Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection R | 240527SC510.pdf ules Compliance | |

| | unctionality in Emergency Situations ollection Form | REDACTE | D FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| <039> | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data | ata line <030> | denny.thompson@hometelco.com | |
| <600> | Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situa | uations | Yes | |
| <610> | Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations | | 240527SC610.pdf | |

| (700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data | | FCC Form 481 |
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| Data Collection Form | | OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data | line <030> denny.thompson@hometelco.com | |
| <701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date <702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge | | |

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| (710) Broadbrand Price Offerings | FCC Form 481 |
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| | State | Exchange (ILEC) | Residential Rate | State Regulated | Total Rate and Fees | Broadband Service - Download Speed | Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps) | Usage Allowance | Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select } |
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| <039> | Contact Email Address - I | Email Address of person identified in data line <030> | denny.thompson@hometelco.com |
| <810> | Reporting Carrier | Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom | |
| <811> | Holding Company | Not Applicable | |
| <812> | Operating Company | Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom | |

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| <900> | Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N) | No | |
| <910> | Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves | | |
| <920> | Tribal Government Engagement Obligation | Name of Attached Document | |
| to confi demons | ompany serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes rm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, trates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to 8(a)(9) includes: | Select Yes or No or Not Applicable | |
| <921> | Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions. | | |
| <922> | Feasibility and sustainability planning; | | |
| <923> | Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner; | | |
| <924> | Compliance with Rights of way processes | | |
| <925> | Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements | | |
| <926> | Compliance with Facilities Siting rules | | |
| <927> | Compliance with Environmental Review processes | | |
| <928> | Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes | | |
| <929> | Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements. | | |
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| | REDAC | | OR FUBLIC INSPECTION | . 460 |
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| (1000) V | pice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability | | FCC Form 481 | |
| Data Coll | ection Form | | OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060 | 0-0819 |
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| <1000> | Voice services rate comparability certification | Yes | 5 | |
| <1010> | Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance | | | |
| | | | Name of Attached Document | |
| <1020> | Broadband comparability certification | | s - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark annou e Wireline Competition Bureau | unced by |
| <1030> | Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance | | | |
| | | | Name of Attached Document | |

| (1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting | | | FCC Form 481 | | |
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| <1100> | Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N) | Yes | | | |
| <1130> | Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g). | kbps | | | |

| - | erms and Condition for Lifeline Customers | | FCC Form 481 |
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| "Please cl | neck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, | | |
| or the we | bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to | | |
| § 54.422 | (a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must | | |
| annually i | | | |
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| <1221> | Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice | | |
| | telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, | | |
| | | | |
| <1222> | Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, | | |
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| 4222 | Address of the conference of the first of the conference of the co | | |
| <1223> | Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. | | |
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| (2000) Pri | ce Cap Carrier Additional Documentation | FCC Form 481 |
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| | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> denny.thompson@hometel | Lco.com |
| | ne appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipnnect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § $54.313(b),(c),(d),(e)$. The information | ient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions ation reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate. |
| | Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting | |
| <2010> | 2nd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(i) - Note that for the July 1 | |
| \2010> | 2016 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental | |
| | | |
| | Support | |
| <2011> | | |
| | 2016 certification, this applies to Round 1 recipients of Incremental | |
| | Support | |
| <2022> | • • | |
| \2022/ | acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in | |
| | | |
| | question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives | |
| | Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for | |
| | projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 | |
| | Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only. | |
| <2023> | | |
| \2023/ | capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect | |
| | , | |
| | America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census | |
| | blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year two - | |
| | 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only. | |
| <2024 | > Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support? | |
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| 20245 | Association of constant in the distriction of the d | Name of Attack of December 1 listing |
| <2024E | | Name of Attached Document Listing |
| | two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only. | Required Information |
| <2025 | > Round 1 or Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support? | |
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| 4202EE | Attach googaded Information for Dhace I milestone reports (Dound 1 for | Name of Attached Document Listing |
| <2025E | | <u> </u> |
| | year three and Round 2 for year two) - Connect America Fund , WC | Required Information |
| | Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13- | |
| | | |
| <2015> | 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4) | |

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| <2016> | Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)} Certification support used to build broadband t America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)} | | | |
| <2017A> | Connect America Fund Phase II recipient? | | | |
| <2017B> | Attach information for Phase II - 54.313(e)(1) - list of geocoded locations already meeting the 54.309 public interest obligations at the end of calendar year 2015 and total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | | |
| <2018> | cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2015. Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(2)(ii) | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | | |
| <2019> | Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(2)(v) | | | |
| <2020> | Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 40% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2017 - 54.313(e)(3) | | | |
| <2021> | Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 60% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2018 - 54.313(e)(4) | | | |
| <2026> | Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 80% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2019 - 54.313(e)(5) | | | |
| <2027> | Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 100% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2020 - 54.313(e)(6) | | | |

| (3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation | FCC Form 481 |
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Complete the items below to note compliance with five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

| (3009) | Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii) | | | | |
|---------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|
| | | , | Yes - At | tach Certifica | ation |
| (3010A) | Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)} | | | | 240527SC3010.pdf |
| (3010B) | Please Provide Attachment | Name of Attached Doc Information | ument Lis | sting Required | |
| (3012A) | Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)} | Yes - Attach New Comm | unity An | nchors | 240527sc3012.pdf |
| (3012B) | Please Provide Attachment | Name of Attached Doc | ument Lis | sting Required | 24032/363012.pdf |
| (3013) | Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)} | Information (Yes/No) | • | 0 | |
| (3014) | If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report | (Yes/No) | \cup | • | |
| (3015) | Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires: Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers) | | | | |
| (3016) | Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows | | L | | |
| (3017) | If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation | Name of Attached Doc Information | ument Lis | sting Required | |
| (3018) | If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains: | (Yes/No) | • | 0 | |
| (3019) | Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers | | | V | |
| (3020) | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows | | | ~ | |
| (3021) | Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains: | | | V | |
| (3022) | Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers | | | | |
| (3023) | Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant | | | | |
| (3024) | Underlying information subjected to an officer certification. | | | | |
| (3025) | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows | | | | 2405277772026 245 |
| (3026) | Attach the worksheet listing required information | Name of Attached Doc Information | ument Lis | sting Required | 240527sc3026.pdf |

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| Financial Data Summary | |
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| (3027) Revenue | |
| (3028) Operating Expenses | |
| (3029) Net Income | |
| (3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS) | |
| (3031) Total Assets | |
| (3032) Total Debt | |
| (3033) Total Equity | |
| (3034) Dividends | |

| (4005) Rural Broadband Experiment Additional Documentation Data Collection Form | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 |
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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

speed and data usage allowances available in the

relevant geographic area.

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

| If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B. | | |
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| 4003b . Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | |
| Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80) | | |
| 4004a . Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481. | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | |
| 4004b . Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | |

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

| Certification of Officer as to t | ne Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients | |
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| l certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. | | |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: | | |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: | Date | |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: | | |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: | | |
| Telephone number of Authorized Officer: | | |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: | Filing Due Date for this form: | |
| Persons willfully making false statements on this form can | e punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001. | |

| | ion - Agent / Carrier ection Form | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

| I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>John Staurulakis</u> , <u>Inc.</u> also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsik agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provice | is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I illities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized ed to the authorized agent is accurate. | |
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| Name of Authorized Agent: John Staurulakis, Inc. | | |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: HOME TEL CO | | |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE | Date: 06/28/2016 | |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: Denny Thompson | | |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: Director Administrative Services | | |
| Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 8437619173 ext. | | |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 240527 | Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2016 | |
| | by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment le 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001. | |

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

| Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on B | ehalf of Reportin | g Carrier | | | |
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| , as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information report | | | | | |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: HOME TEL CO | | | | | |
| Name of Authorized Agent Firm: John Staurulakis, Inc. | | | | | |
| Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE | Date: | 06/28/2016 | | | |
| Name of Authorized Agent Employee: Lans Chase | | | | | |
| Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Staff Director - Regulatory Affairs | | | | | |
| Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 7705692015 ext.1 | | | | | |
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Attachments

ATTACHMENT - LINE 112

Five-Year Network Improvement Plan and Progress Report

ATTACHMENT REDACTED IN ENTIRETY

Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom's demonstration of complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules for voice and broadband services:

In establishing this certification in its 2005 ETC Order,¹ the FCC found that an ETC must make "a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers." ² The FCC found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA's Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis.³ In this context, the FCC stated, "to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement."⁴

Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom ("Home") is subject to consumer protection obligations under both federal and South Carolina state law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) filing a Local Exchange Tariff pursuant to the requirements of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina which disclose rates, and terms and conditions of service to customers (Section 103-612.2.1 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations); (2) adherence to state consumer protection requirements governing telephone providers which govern Standards and Quality of Service (Sections 103-661, 103-662, and 103-663 of the South Carolina Code of

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 05-46 (rel. Mar. 17, 2005) ("2005 ETC Order").

² *Id.* at para. 28.

³ *Id.* The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: "(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy." *Id.* at n. 71.

⁴ *Id.* at n. 72.

Regulations); Customer Relations, including billing, deposits, discontinuance and termination of service (Sections 103-620 through 103-633 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations); Engineering and Safety Standards (Sections 103-640 through 103-646 and 103-670 through 103-672 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations); Inspections and Tests (Sections 103-650 through 103-653 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations); Records and Reports (Sections 103-610 through 103-619 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations) and Customer Complaints (Section 103-628 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations); (3) truth-in-billing requirements (Section 103-622.1 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations); and (4) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

Home is subject to consumer protection obligations for broadband services under federal law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: public disclosure of accurate information regarding network management practices, performance, and commercial terms of broadband internet access services; as a means of providing sufficient information for consumers to make informed choices regarding use of such services, and for content, application, service and device providers to develop, market, and maintain internet offerings as specified in 47 CFR § 8.3. The Company furthermore will all forth 2015 comply with requirements in the Open set Internet Order when it becomes effective.

Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom's demonstration of ability to function in emergency situations for voice and broadband services:

Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecom ("Home") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(2)¹ and Section 103-646 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations. Home's network is designed to remain functional in emergency situations without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations as required by Section 54.202(a)(2) and Section 103-646 of the South Carolina Code of Regulations. Home can change call routing translations as needed to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations will also allow Home to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require. In addition, Home has redundancy for connectivity purposes *via* additional routes and electronic equipment for voice and broadband services.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available, or until system changes are made to reroute traffic. Home has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites. Length of run time is determined by the equipment serving the area and the number of customers working out of the equipment. Generators are installed at all Central Office locations. They will continue to run as long as Home has access to fuel.

Section 54.202(a)(2) requires ETCs that are designated by the Commission to "demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations, including a demonstration that it has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations."

| | ce Offerings including Voice Rate Data lection Form | | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| | | | | Residential Local | | | Mandatory Extended Area | |
| State | Exchange (ILEC) | SAC (CETC) | Rate Type | Service Rate | State Subscriber Line Charge | State Universal Service Fee | Service Charge | Total per line Rates and Fees |
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| (710) Broadband Price Offerings | FCC Form 481 |
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| | State | Exchange (ILEC) | Residential Rate | State Regulated Fees | Total Rates and Fees | Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps) | Broadband Service -Upload Speed (Mbps) | Usage Allowance (GB) | Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select} |
| | SC | ALL - Fiber | 49.95 | 0.0 | 49.95 | 10.0 | 10.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
| | sc | ALL - Fiber | 64.95 | 0.0 | 64.95 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
| | SC | ALL - Fiber | 119.95 | 0.0 | 119.95 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
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| | sc | All - CM | 49.95 | 0.0 | 49.95 | 10.0 | 2.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
| | sc | All - CM | 64.95 | 0.0 | 64.95 | 50.0 | 10.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
| | SC | All - CM | 119.95 | 0.0 | 119.95 | 100.0 | 15.0 | 999999 | allowance Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
| | SC | All- DSL | 44.95 | 0.0 | 44.95 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
| | SC | All- DSL | 54.95 | 0.0 | 54.95 | 6.0 | 1.0 | 999999 | Other, Other, No limit on usage allowance |
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| <035> | Contact Telephone Numb | per - Number of person identified in data line <030> | 8437619173 ext. | | | |
| <039> | Contact Email Address - E | mail Address of person identified in data line <030> | denny.thompson@hometelco.com | | | |
| <810> | Reporting Carrier | Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Telecon | n | | | |
| <811> | Holding Company | Not Applicable | | | | |
| <812> | Operating Company | Home Telephone ILEC, LLC d/b/a Home Teleco | m - | | | |

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| | Affiliates | SAC | Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation |
| | Rock Hill Telephone Company | 240542 | Comporium |
| | Berkeley Cable Television, Inc. | | Berkeley Cable Television, Inc. |
| | Lancaster Telephone Company | 240531 | Comporium |
| | Fort Mill Telephone Company | 240521 | Comporium |
| | PBT Telecom, Inc. | 240539 | Comporium |
| | Citizens Telephone Company of Brevard | 230473 | Comporium |
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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

6.2 <u>LIFELINE PROGRAM</u>

SOUTH CAROLINA

6.2.1 General

- A. Lifeline Assistance is a non-transferable retail service offering for which qualifying low-income subscribers pay reduced charges, as provided for below. Lifeline Assistance enables eligible subscribers to pay reduced charges for voice telephony service that includes the following services: voice-grade access to the public switched network; local usage; access to emergency services; and toll limitation.
- B. The Lifeline credit available to an eligible customer in South Carolina is equal to the total of federal support as established by the Federal Communications Commission and state support as established by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. The amount of credit will not exceed the charge for local service, which includes the access line, the Subscriber Line Charge and local usage.
- C. The Company shall apply the baseline payments received by the administrator of the federal Lifeline Assistance program to waive the qualifying customer's federal End-User Common Line Charge. The Company shall apply any additional federal support amount to the qualifying customer's basic local exchange service rate.
- D. The Lifeline Program reduction to voice telephony service shall apply only to residential service. Qualifying customers must subscribe to a generally available residential service plan or package that includes voice telephony service that is made available in the Company's service area.
- E. Partial payments that are received from Lifeline customers shall first be applied to voice telephony charges and then to any outstanding charges for additional services.
- F. Nothing in this Section shall prohibit a customer who is otherwise eligible for the Lifeline Program from obtaining and using telecommunications equipment and services designed to aid such customer in utilizing qualifying telecommunications services.
- G. The Lifeline Program rate reduction does not apply to Service Connection Charges.
- H. The Lifeline Program rate will not be available on a retroactive basis.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

6.2 <u>LIFELINE PROGRAM</u> (Cont'd)

6.2.2 Eligibility and Certification Requirements

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- A. Subscribers are eligible for Lifeline Assistance if:
 - 1. The subscriber's household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, or
 - 2. The subscriber, or one or more of the subscriber's dependents or the subscriber's household, receives benefits from at least one of the following qualifying programs:

Medicaid;

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly known as Food Stamps;

Supplemental Security Income (SSI);

Federal Public Housing Assistance;

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP);

National School Lunch Program's free lunch program;

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).

- 3. Other eligibility requirements may be established by the Commission.
- B. Each subscriber to Lifeline Assistance must provide documentation of income-based or program-based eligibility and certify in writing to the Company, under penalty of perjury, that s/he receives benefits under a program outlined in paragraph A. above, and must on that same document, agree to notify the Company if s/he ceases to participate in the program(s) or to meet income eligibility requirements. The certification form shall conform to the requirements described herein, and shall be made available upon request to any subscriber. The Company shall retain all such subscriber certifications in order to furnish proof of subscriber eligibility as may be required from time to time by Universal Service administrators.
- C. A subscriber may elect at the time of subscription to Lifeline Assistance to receive toll limitation as part of Lifeline Assistance. "Toll limitation" is a service that allows a subscriber to elect not to allow the completion of outgoing toll calls from the subscriber's residence.

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6.2 <u>LIFELINE PROGRAM</u> (Cont'd)

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6.2.3 Restrictions

A. Only one Lifeline Assistance credit is available per household.

6.2.4 Recertification

A. Customers must recertify on an annual basis that they continue to qualify for the discounted service.

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6.2 **LIFELINE PROGRAM (Cont'd)**

6.2.5 **Credit and Collection**

A. Credit References

The credit verification procedures used for all applicants who apply for service with the Company will also be used for applicants who apply for service under the Lifeline Program.

В. **Deposits**

The Company may not collect a service deposit in order to initiate Lifeline Assistance if the qualifying low-income subscriber voluntarily elects toll blocking from the Company, where available or if the qualifying low-income subscriber elects a calling plan that does not distinguish between toll and non-toll calls in its pricing. If toll blocking is unavailable, then the Company may charge a service deposit.

6.2.6 **Service Connection Charges**

- A. Secondary Service charges do not apply to eligible customers with existing residential access line service when they convert to the Lifeline Program.
- B. Service Connection Charges will apply when:
 - 1. Existing eligible residential Local Exchange Service customers also convert to a different grade of eligible residential service and/or Optional Calling Services at the time the Lifeline Program billing is initiated.
 - 2. A customer receiving Lifeline Program billing voluntarily elects to convert to telephone service arrangements which preclude Lifeline Program eligibility.
 - 3. New residential applicants (those without existing Local Exchange Service) eligible for the Lifeline Program will be subject to applicable Service Connection Charges.
- C. Any subsequent moves or changes after the initial connection to the Lifeline Program will be subject to the applicable Service Charges as outlined in Section 18 of this Tariff.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

6.1 APPLICATION OF RATES, CHARGES AND REGULATIONS

6.1.1 **Local Flat Rate Service**

SOUTH CAROLINA

- A. Local exchange access service rates and charges as specified in this tariff are for only local exchange service and facilities of the Company within the Company's exchange service area as approved by the Commission.
- В. The furnishing of communications services by the Company is also subject to the rates, charges, rules and regulations of this General Subscriber Services Tariff as it now exists or as it may be revised, added to, or supplemented by superseding issues, and these rates are hereby made a part of these local exchange service tariffs.
- C. This tariff cancels and supersedes all other local exchange service tariffs issued and effective prior to the effective date of these tariffs.
- D. Unless otherwise specified, the rates and charges listed in this tariff are payable for a period of one month, in advance, and entitle the customer to unlimited, flat rate calling.
- E. The Home Telephone Company, Inc. offers single party residence and business service throughout its service area.
- F. Rates and Charges for this service and other miscellaneous services can be found in Section 18 of this Tariff.

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LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

6.1 <u>APPLICATION OF RATES, CHARGES AND REGULATIONS</u> (Cont'd)

6.1.2 **Local Calling Areas**

The local exchange rates authorized by the South Carolina Public Service Commission, listed in Section 18.3, entitle subscribers to access all exchange access lines: (1) bearing the central office designations of the subscriber's exchange, (2) the central office designation(s) of additional exchanges or central offices as follows:

Exchange/NXX Exchanges in Local Calling Area

Moncks Corner Cross (753) (482, 719, 761, 899) Huger (336) Jamestown (257)

Lebanon (688) Macedonia (565)

Harleyville 462

The following exchanges in Berkeley County have free dialing Expanded Area Service (EAS) with each other: Moncks Corner, Huger, Jamestown, Lebanon, Macedonia, and Cross.

The Harleyville Exchange located in Dorchester County has free dialing Expanded Area Service (EAS) with St. George, a BellSouth Exchange

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RATES AND CHARGES

18.2 <u>SERVICE CHARGES (Cont'd)</u>

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18.2.7 Returned Check Charge

Per Occasion

The returned check charge will be equal to, or less than, the rate allowed by S.C. Code Ann. § 34-11-70 (Supp. 1998).

18.2.8 Late Payment Charge

The Company may establish a Late Payment Charge as it deems appropriate subject to the maximum amounts and the exceptions contained in South Carolina Public Service Commission Reg. 103-622.2.

18.3 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES

The following charges are assessed for the services listed in Section 6 of this tariff.

18.3.1 Flat Rate Service

| A. | Moncks Corner Exchange |
|----|------------------------|
| | Monthly Rate |

| | 3 | Residence | | <u>Business</u> |
|----|--|-----------|-----|--|
| | Individual Line, Per Line PBX Trunk, Per Trunk Key System, Per Line Public Telephone Access Service | \$15.62 | (I) | \$28.70 \$42.50 \$28.70 \$28.70 |
| B. | Harleyville Exchange | | | |
| | Individual Line, Per Line PBX Trunk, Per Trunk Key System, Per Line Public Telephone Access Service | \$15.62 | (I) | \$28.70 \$33.75 \$28.70 \$28.70 |

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| 18.3] | LOCAL | EXCHANGE | SERVICE | CHARGES | (Cont'd) |
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18.3.2 Verification and Emergency Interrupt Service

| | | Rate |
|----|---|--------|
| A. | Verification Request 1. Each Request | \$6.45 |
| B. | Emergency Interrupt Request 1. Each Request | \$6.45 |
| | A charge for a Verification Request also applies. | |

18.3.3 Local Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance Within Exchanges Served by the Company

| | Rate |
|---|--------|
| Residence | |
| Per Call, after allowance of three (3) free calls | \$1.25 |
| <u>Business</u> | |
| Per Call, after allowance of three (3) free calls | \$1.25 |

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RATES AND CHARGES

18.3 **LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES** (Cont'd)

18.3.4 Touch Calling Service (Pushbutton Dialing)

Business (per line) \$ 0.00

Residence (per line) \$ 0.00

18.3.5 Employee Telephone Service

All fulltime active employees of the Company will be furnished local service at no charge.

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18.3 <u>LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES</u> (Cont'd)

18.3.6 Home Local Calling Service

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A. Seven-Digit Dial Option

Residential or Business customers not electing any of the options listed below, but electing to complete IntraLATA calls through this service by placing a seven-digit dialed call will not incur any additional monthly service charge. The caller will be subject to a usage charge as follows:

| | Rate Per Minute or |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Area Called | <u>Fraction thereof</u> |
| Expanded Local Service Area | \$0.05 |

B. Measured Rate Option

1. All customers may select the following option. For those customers choosing this option, the monthly rates as follows will apply to the customer's account in addition to the appropriate Exchange Access Line Rate specified in Section 18.3.1 preceding.

Monthly Rate

| ny ruice | Residence | <u>Business</u> |
|---|-----------|----------------------------|
| Individual Line, Per Line PBX Trunk, Per Trunk Key System, Per Line | \$0.50 | \$3.00 \$3.00 \$3.00 |

2. Usage Charges

The following charges apply for customer dialed and operator handled local calls for Home Local Calling Measure Rate Option subscribers:

| Area Called | Rate Per Minute or <u>Fraction thereof</u> |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Expanded Local Service Area | \$0.035 |

18.3 <u>LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES</u> (Cont'd)

18.3.6 Home Local Calling Service (Cont'd)

C. Flat Rate Option

SOUTH CAROLINA

1. Residential customers may select the following option. For those customers choosing this option, the monthly rates as follows will apply to the customer's account in addition to the appropriate Exchange Access Line Rate specified in Section 18.3.1 preceding. The Flat Rate Option is not available in the Midlands Calling Zone (Harleyville Exchange).

Monthly Rate

Individual Residential Line, Per Line \$14.60

2. Usage Charges

The following charges apply for customer dialed and operator handled local calls for residential Home Local Calling Flat Rate Option subscribers:

| Area Called | Rate Per Minute or <u>Fraction thereof</u> |
|--|---|
| Tri-County Expanded Local Service Area | \$0.00 |
| Coastal Calling Zones outside Tri-County Area | \$0.045 |

18.3 <u>LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES</u> (Cont'd)

18.3.6 Home Local Calling Service (Cont'd)

SOUTH CAROLINA

D. Home Local Calling Service Business Options

A Business subscriber may choose one of the following options to further reduce expanded local service area usage charges. The monthly rate for the following options applies to the customers account in addition the appropriate Exchange Access Line Rate and the rate specified in Section 18.3.1 preceding. These options are available to Business Customers only.

1. Measured Rate Option B

| | Monthly Rate |
|--|--------------|
| Per Business Line, Key Line, or PBX Trunk | \$10.00 |
| Usage Charge | \$ 0.067 |

2. Measured Rate Option C

| | Monthly Rate |
|--|--------------|
| Per Business Line, Key Line, or PBX Trunk | \$22.00 |
| Usage Charge | \$ 0.045 |

18.3 <u>LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES</u> (Cont'd)

18.3.6 Home Local Calling Service (Cont'd)

D. Home Local Calling Service Business Options (Cont'd)

3. Capped Options

Capped options are available to business customers. These packages provide a package of minutes at a specified monthly fee. Minutes in excess of that included with the plan may be purchased as specified with each capped plan. Call detail is not included with this plan but may be purchased at the rate detailed below.

| | Minutes <u>Included</u> | Additional Monthly Charge | Rate Per Minute In Excess of Included Minutes | |
|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|-----|
| Capped Option A | 125 Minutes | \$ 5.00 | \$0.05 | |
| Capped Option B | 325 Minutes | \$13.00 | \$0.04 | |
| Capped Option C | 1,200 Minutes | \$24.00 | \$0.03 | (C) |
| Capped Option D | 2,500 Minutes | \$50.00 | \$0.02 | (N) |
| Capped Option E | 5,000 Minutes | \$75.00 | \$0.02 | (N) |
| Call Detail | | \$2.00 | | |

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18.3 <u>LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE CHARGES</u> (Cont'd)

18.3.7 Network Access Register (NAR)

SOUTH CAROLINA

Monthly Rate

Per NAR \$19.15

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Home Telephone ILEC, LLC (SAC 240527)

Response to Line 3010 – Milestone Certification (47 CFR §54.313(f)(1)(i))

Home Telephone ILEC, LLC (SAC 240527) hereby certifies that throughout 2015, it took reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time. If a request for broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream is unreasonable, and offering broadband service at actual speeds of at least 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream is reasonable, the Company offers broadband service at actual speeds of at least 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream.

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Newly Served Community Anchor Institutions - 2015

| Number | Name | Address |
|--------|-------------------|---|
| 1 | Carolina Eye Care | 730 Stoney Landing Road Moncks Corner, SC 29461 |

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ATTACHMENT - LINE 3026 ATTACHMENT REDACTED IN ENTIRETY